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**PATENT**

**Docket No.** 015916-300

**Applicant:** Swanson

**Serial No.:** 10/784,316

**Filing Date:** Feb. 19, 2004

**Title:** Cooled Probes And  
Apparatus For Maintaining Contact  
Between Cooled Probes And Tissue

**Group Art Unit:** 3762

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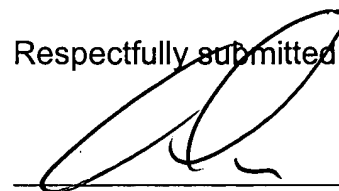
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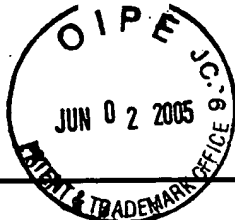
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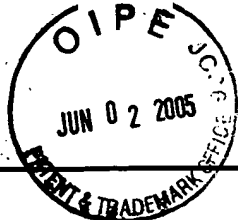
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